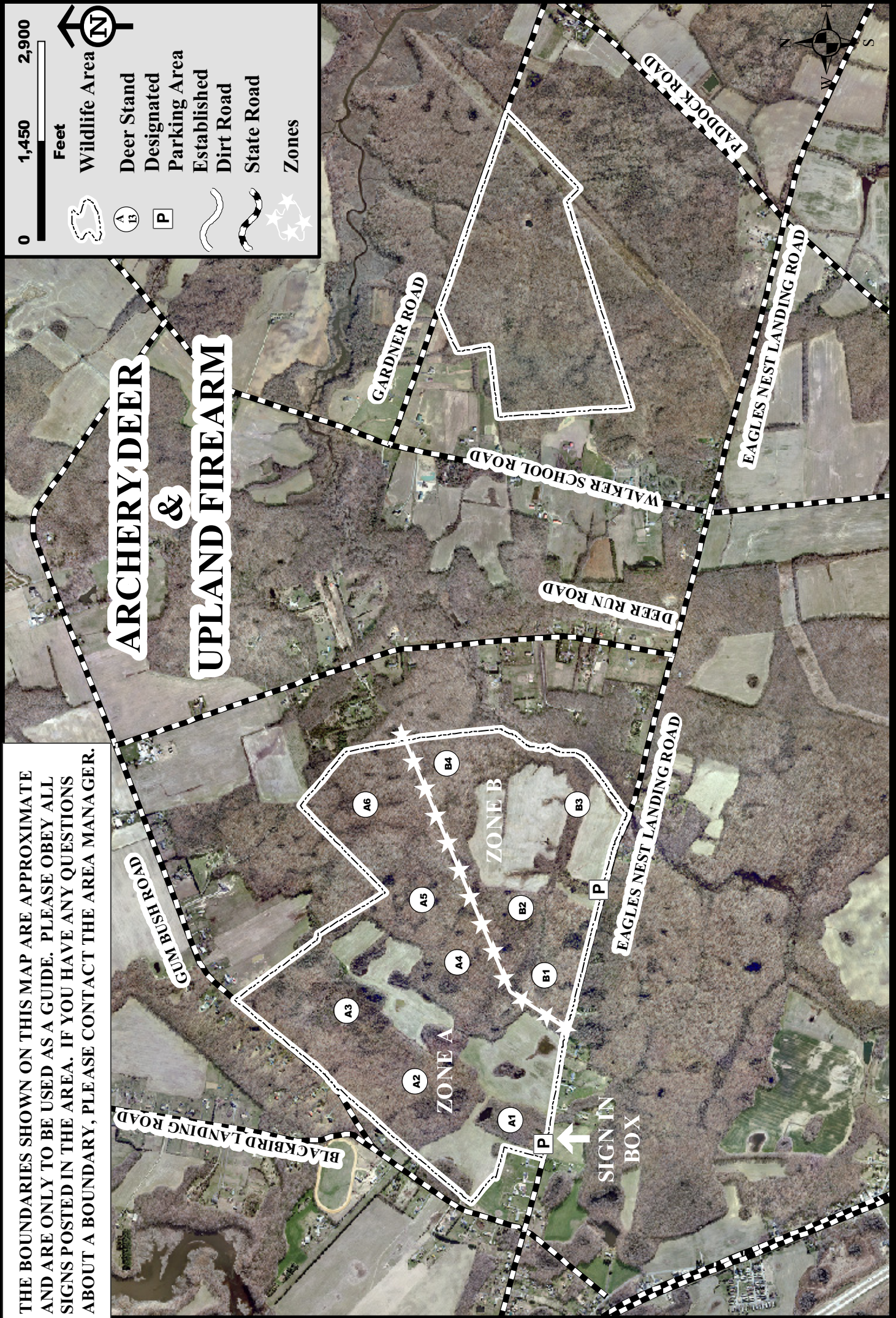


BLACKBIRD RESERVE WILDLIFE AREA



(695 ACRES)

EAGLE'S NEST, ELLINGSWORTH, & GARDNER ROAD TRACTS



2008-2009
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Ellingsworth, Eagle's Nest, and Gardner Road Tracts

DEER, UPLAND, AND WATERFOWL HUNTING

Persons may hunt on the Blackbird Reserve Wildlife Area only as directed by the following rules, which have been established by Wildlife Regulation 3908 (WR-3908) of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, pursuant to Section 103, 7 Delaware Code. **Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and or revocation of their hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.**

**THIS AREA IS A SPECIAL ARCHERY ONLY DEER HUNTING AREA.
NO FIREARMS DEER HUNTING IS PERMITTED.**

A. DEER - ARCHERY

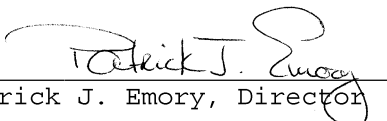
1. Archery hunters may hunt anywhere within the Blackbird Reserve Wildlife Area (excluding refuges and safety zones) without special permits, but must register at the tagboards located in the designated parking areas. See registration procedures on sign-in sheets.
2. Archery hunters may use portable stands however all parts of portable stands must be removed at the end of the day. No stands or tree steps which cause damage to trees are allowed.
3. Archery hunters may hunt from existing permanent stands located on the property on a first-come, first-served basis. **EXISTING STANDS ARE NOT MAINTAINED BY THE STATE AND SHOULD BE USED WITH EXTREME CAUTION.**
4. Archery hunting will be permitted during the muzzleloader and shotgun seasons provided that hunters wear at least 400 square inches of hunter orange on the head, chest, and back.
5. Hunters should be advised that concurrent archery and small game hunting will be permitted during times where open seasons overlap.

B. UPLAND HUNTING

1. Small game hunters may hunt anywhere within the Blackbird Reserve Wildlife Area (excluding refuges and safety zones) without special permits, but must register at the tagboards located in the specific parking areas. See registration procedures on sign-in sheets.
2. Upland hunting is limited to parties of no more than 4 hunters per party.
3. Upland hunters may not take or attempt to take waterfowl.
4. Hunting within the posted safety zones or refuges is prohibited and hunters and their dogs may not enter a refuge for any reason.
5. Hunters should be advised that concurrent archery and small game hunting will be permitted during times where open seasons overlap.
6. Dove hunting is permitted on the entire area during all regular dove seasons, no special permit required. All state and federal regulations apply.
7. This area is open for turkey hunting by permit. Permits issued via pre-season lottery. See Delaware Hunting Guide for application and information.
8. The area is open to raccoon hunting from Nov. 19, 2007- Feb. 29, 2008 no permit required.
9. Falconry seasons and regulations are the same as upland small game hunting.

C. WATERFOWL HUNTING - NONE PERMITTED

1. No waterfowl hunting is permitted on the Blackbird Reserve Wildlife Area.


Patrick J. Emory, Director

For further information, contact the Division of Fish and Wildlife, Dover, Delaware 19901 Telephone: 739-9912, Augustine Wildlife Area (834-8433), or Cedar Swamp Lottery Station (653-8080).

To report wildlife or wildlife area violations, or to contact an enforcement agent call the Department Communication Center toll free at 1-800-523-3336.

State and Federal law prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, handicap or disability. If you believe you have been discriminated against in any program, activity, or facility, or if you desire further information, please write to:

Office for Equal Opportunity
U. S. Department of Interior
Washington, D.C. 20240

OR

Division of Fish and Wildlife
89 Kings Highway
Dover, DE 19901

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